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### **Purpose and Audience:**

The Colorado Department of Health Care Policy & Financing (Department) invites the public to comment on proposed waiver amendments for the following Home- and Community-Based Services (HCBS) waivers: Persons with Brain Injury (BI), Children's Home- and Community-Based Services (CHCBS), Children with a Life-Limiting Illness (CLLI), Community Mental Health Supports (CMHS), Persons who are Elderly, Blind and Disabled (EBD), and Persons with a Spinal Cord Injury (SCI).

### **Information:**

The Department intends to submit the amendments to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) on April 2, 2019. The Department will request an effective date of June 30, 2019 for these amendments.

The proposed waiver amendments include the following changes:

- Update language related to the Post Payment Review (PPR) Function and Oversight (BI, CHCBS, CLLI, CMHS, EBD, SCI)
- Update Performance Measures for multiple Quality Improvement Strategies sections (BI, CHCBS, CLLI, CMHS, EBD, SCI)
- Update the Supported Living Program (SLP) rate methodology (BI)
- Update Cost Neutrality Projections (BI CHCBS, CLLI, CMHS, EBD, SCI)

For a more detailed summary of all changes, please go to the Department's website at <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/hcpf/hcbs-waiver-transition> to view the full draft of the waiver amendment fact sheet. You may also obtain a paper or electronic copy by

calling 303-866-3684 or by writing or visiting the Department at 1570 Grant St, Denver, CO 80203.

The public comment period is open for at least 30 days, from **February 28 through March 30, 2019.**

**Attachment(s):**

[Waiver Fact Sheet 2019 Spring Amendment Attachment BI CHCBS CLLI CMHS EBD SCI](#)

**Department Contact:**

Comments should be submitted to the Department through the following routes:

- By Email: [LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us](mailto:LTSS.PublicComment@state.co.us) (subject line: HCBS Waiver Amendments)
- By Phone: 303-866-3684
- By US Mail: Attention: HCBS Waiver Amendments, 1570 Grant Street, Denver, CO 80203
- By Fax: Attention: HCBS Waiver Amendments 303-866-2786